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VALUES AND CRITERIA OF PEOPLE WITH A CHRONIC ILLNESS OR DISABILITY

**Strengthening the voice of their
representatives in the health debate and
the decision making process.**

Truus Teunissen



People with a chronic illness or disability are the new partners in the health research and health care dialogue. This new and growing group expresses their own voice, issues and concerns. Moving in between ill and healthy conditions, they are both strong and vulnerable at the same time.

This thesis investigates what is required to articulate and voice their needs and concerns in health related discussions and decision making in practice. This work resulted a.o. in a set of criteria for appraisal and evaluation by their advocates.



Truus Teunissen is a social scientist having more than one chronic illness. She combined her scientific knowledge and background with her experiential knowledge in order to write this thesis.